

Georgia Joins Prosecution in Peon Murders

Governor Assigns Attorney to Case and Asks Indictment of Williams's 3 Sons and a Trial in Two Weeks

No More Bodies Found

2 Counties Seek Jurisdiction and Entire State Demands Thorough Crime Inquiry

Special Dispatch to The Tribune
ATLANTA, Ga., March 29.—Governor Hugh Dorsey instructed Graham Wright, Assistant Attorney General, after a conference here to-day with Jasper County authorities and Federal agents, to cooperate in the prosecution of John S. Williams, plantation owner, and John Manning, negro workman, who are being held in connection with the murder of eleven negroes alleged to have been held in peonage on the Williams farm.

The controversy over where the men shall be tried has not yet been settled. Some of the bodies were found in Newton County. Murder indictments have already been returned there, and Governor Dorsey to-day requested Judge John B. Hutcheson and Solicitor Alonzo M. Brand of the Stone Mountain Circuit to place Williams and Manning on trial in that county. Brand announced that the men would be put on trial within three weeks. Friends of Williams are planning to insist on a change of venue.

Governor Dorsey also instructed the Assistant Attorney General to seek indictments for murder against Williams's three sons when the Jasper County grand jury meets April 11. A rigid investigation of the crimes will be made at that time.

A widespread demand for the prosecution of the persons guilty of the crimes has arisen in Georgia. Jasper County residents desire that the trial be held there, and will object to any interference by the military.

Special Dispatch to The Tribune
MONTICELLO, Ga., March 29.—Although there are many persons who believe there are more bodies from the so-called peonage farm of John S. Williams in the river in this vicinity, official searches have failed to find any more, it was stated late to-day.

The official search for more bodies may not begin until the grand jury meets. People continued to swarm to Jasper County to-day notwithstanding the cold weather.

Gus Williams, eldest son of John S. Williams, is here in this McDough. He talked to-day, the first time that any member of the family has talked, and declared that he could not believe all of the things that have been said against his father. He said he had come here to be with his mother and his three younger brothers during the trial.

Manning, who has confessed to most of the killings, has worked for Williams for fifteen years and is about twenty-seven years of age. Manning, according to information here, was disliked by every negro in the county and was seldom seen in company with other negroes.

Poolroom Owner Shot Dead

After Card Game in Place
Joseph Fasanello, twenty-seven years old, of 131 East 125th Street, was shot and killed last night in a poolroom, at 315 East 115th Street, of which he is part owner. The police believe that the shooting was the result of a quarrel over cards.

Joseph Pepp, the partner of Fasanello, told the police that Fasanello was playing cards with several men in the card room in the rear of the place when he went out early in the evening. When Pepp returned later he found the poolroom deserted and his partner dead, with two bullet wounds in his head.

Navy Orders

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON, March 29.—Navy orders issued to-day follow:

Alexander, Com. G. A., to U. S. S. Eagle 33.
Brown, Lt. E. V., to U. S. S. Eagle 33.
Cunningham, Com. C. M., to U. S. S. Eagle 33.
England, Lt. R. B., to U. S. S. Eagle 33.
Hacker, Com. G. J., to U. S. S. Eagle 33.
Harris, Lt. (J. & J.) O. E., to U. S. S. Eagle 33.
Lawrence, Lt. (J. & J.) F. A., to U. S. S. Eagle 33.

Martin, Lt. G. C., to U. S. S. Eagle 33.
Andrews, Ensign L. B., to U. S. S. Finch.
Bacon, Lt. Com. J. B., to U. S. S. Michigan.
Caldwell, Com. T. P., to Salt Lake City.
Cossart, Ap. Clk. J. A., to U. S. S. Wyoming.
Daubin, Lt. Com. F. A., to U. S. S. Eagle 33.

Erickson, Lt. J. Jr., to Syracuse.
Guhransen, Lt. Com. C., to 4th Nav. Dist.
Hudson, Gun. W. H., to U. S. S. Heron.
Lowmy, Ensign H. H., to U. S. S. Ramapo.
McMeklin, Lt. J. H., to U. S. S. Finch.
Myers, Lt. F. P., to U. S. S. S. S. S. S.
Parr, Ensign C. B., to Atlantic station.
Rice, Ensign J. T., to U. S. S. Avocet.
Richardson, Lt. Com. J. K., to Philadelphia.
Russell, Com. C. P., to U. S. S. Oklahoma.
Shaw, Lt. C. M., to U. S. S. Dixie.
Shoenfeld, Lt. D. D., to Portsmouth.
Swamy, Com. G. T. Jr., to U. S. S. Preston.
Thompson, Lt. Com. T. B., to U. S. S. Eagle 33.

Tupper, Lt. J. A., to U. S. S. Columbia.
Vandever, Lt. Com. J. C., to U. S. S. Kennedy.
Whithead, Lt. Com. G. B., to Birmingham.

Take 2 as Bandits in Fight

Policeman Clubs and Captures

Alleged Robbers in Hallway

Two men were arrested in a dark hallway of a tenement at 313 Bleecker Street by Patrolman Patrick Moran, of the Charles Street station, last night after a desperate struggle, in which the patrolman used his nightstick freely. The men gave their names as Alphonse Boersseno, eighteen years old, of 107 West Thirtieth Street, and Samuel Sinatra, twenty-three years old, of 231 Thompson Street.

It is alleged that the two men entered the tailor shop of John Paul, at 3 Hancock Street, earlier in the evening, and in the presence of two customers held up the proprietor of the shop and took cash and jewelry amounting to \$300. Paul claims his customers chased the two men into the street, where their shouts attracted the attention of Patrolman Moran. The two men ran into the doorway of the tenement, where the patrolman arrested them.

\$6,500 Loot From 4 Safes

Vacuum Oil Co. and David

Clarke's Sons Lose \$6,000

Details of three safe robberies which occurred some time between last Saturday night and Monday morning became known yesterday. The robberies yielded \$6,500.

Yeggen cracked two safes in the offices of the Vacuum Oil Company Building, at 61 Broadway, and got \$5,000 in cash and negotiable securities. The safe in the office of David Clarke's Sons, florists, at 214 Broadway, was robbed of \$1,100 in currency. George Devine, of 203 West Sixty-seventh Street, arrested in connection with this theft, denied knowledge of it.

Burglars early yesterday morning chopped their way into the cigar store of Louis Ellenberg, at 1675 Vyse Avenue, the Bronx, and obtained \$500 worth of cigars and \$35 in cash.

He Must Die; Parents Freed

Jersey Jury Acquits Father and

Mother of Convicted Slayer

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., March 29.—A jury here to-day found Joseph Trimmer, twenty-two years old, guilty of first degree murder and dismissed a similar charge against James and Annette Trimmer, parents of the convicted man, who were indicted jointly with him. Joseph was ordered put to death during the week of May 9.

Trimmer was convicted of the murder of Henry Kouhout, a neighbor, during a quarrel on February 1, over the digging of ditches. As he heard the verdict he turned pale, but said nothing. His mother screamed and fainted.

The testimony showed that the Trimmers were digging drains on their property, which adjoined that of Kouhout. He ordered them to stop, insisting that the water would empty into his land. An argument followed, and Kouhout was shot and killed.

Army Orders

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WASHINGTON, March 29.—Army orders issued to-day follow:

French, Lt. R. W., to San Francisco.
Rofe, Col. R. H., to Washington.

Quartermaster Corps

Smith, 2d Lt. W. M., to Camp Meade.

Thearle, Maj. W. H., to Camp Dix.

Ackerman, Capt. S. H., to Camp Meade.

Medical Corps

Clark, Capt. E., to Hospital.

Prentiss, Lt. F. H., to Little Rock.

Kouhout, Maj. J. H., to Fort Sill.

Lohman, Maj. E. A., to Fort Sill.

Finance Department

Thibault, Maj. L. M., to San Francisco.

Grace, Maj. J. J., to Boston.

Willis, Maj. A. H., to Manila.

Engineers Corps

Levy, Capt. E. H., to Fort Bliss.

Noid, Capt. G. J., to Cincinnati.

Arrowood, Lt. J. C., to Cincinnati.

Hardy, Lt. G. L., to Los Angeles.

Infantry

Barrett, Maj. R. H., to Camp Sherman.

Savage, Capt. L. E., to Camp Lewis.

Cobb, Capt. M. M., to Camp Meade.

Koehler, Maj. G. H., to Springfield.

Bortman, Maj. E. H., to Fort McPherson.

Miscellaneous

Holmes, Capt. W. H. E., Sig. C., to Washington.

McCook, Capt. G. C., Cav., resigned.

Wilson, Chaplain G. H., resigned.

Girl Witness In Stillman Suit Missing

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note in the mystery of hinted secrecy and I make my stand clear in this extraordinary sensation.

"I recall that Mr. Stillman has a very powerful and winning personality. He was very attractive to women generally, with resulting enmity and jealousy of some men."

"Mr. Stillman has already stated that some of his own supposed friends betrayed him. All circumstances make the case extremely sensational and Mr. Stillman's position particularly unenviable. I understand they were separated as early as 1913. Mrs. Stillman not only has the support of her many personal friends, but exclusive society as well, which would render the possible intrusion of a common outsider into the sanctified midst. Let this conclude the statement."

VIOLA CLARK.

Wife May Name Another Woman

Following the naming of Miss Clark as a possible witness in the case yesterday came the announcement from an authoritative source that Mrs. Stillman was considering a new step in defense and would probably ask permission to further amend her amended answer to take in the name of at least one woman other than Mrs. Leeds.

John F. Brennan, litigation attorney for Mrs. Stillman, said last night:

"The amended answer of Mrs. Stillman remains exactly as it was when it was filed with Justice Morschauer. There have been no changes in the record and there will be none until Justice Morschauer has decided the division of alimony and counsel fees. I will not say that there will be no change in Mrs. Stillman's answer after this decision has been handed down."

The fact that no additional affidavits have been filed in the case does not necessarily mean that the affidavits now on file will be all the testimony that will be introduced to support her answer," said another attorney.

It is known that the defense has a score of witnesses in and around Long Island, New York and Miami, Fla., where Mr. Stillman's yacht Modesty lay at anchor near a handsome seaside home, said to have been occupied by Mrs. Leeds and her son, Jay Leeds, and a maid.

Directors of the National City Bank, of which Mrs. A. Stillman is president, held their regular meeting yesterday without any mention being made of Mr. Stillman's proffered resignation, which had been refused at a previous meeting. The directors were in session only for about ten minutes and on adjournment it was reported that only routine matters had been considered.

Expected to Prove Child's Legitimacy

Mr. Mack will make no immediate effort to file any petition in behalf of Guy Stillman, his ward. He is known, however, to be exerting every effort to establish the legitimate birth of the child.

He was satisfied that yesterday that would result in the conclusive proof that Guy Stillman was the son of James Stillman, and not of Fred Beauvais, as has been alleged by Mr. Stillman.

This proof hinges on an affidavit said to have been established by Beauvais. Mr. Mack said last night:

"At the proper time we are prepared to prove by competent evidence that James A. Stillman is the father of the child, Guy Stillman. We will show that the Stillmans lived on compatible terms for a long time before and after the birth of Guy in November, 1918. This proof will include the testimony of members of the Stillman household and of friends who visited the Stillmans at their abode in Pocomtuck Hills and at Three Rivers, Quebec."

Verification of the possible naming of a second woman came from a legal source in Poughkeepsie. This informant said that for three years a woman now living in humble circumstances in New York City, maintained a villa at Garden City, Long Island, and posed as the wife of a man who visited her.

Detectives for Mrs. Stillman have learned that the woman gave up the Long Island retreat and an expensive

'Hylan Is a Cur,' De Ford Asserts Untermeyer Said

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Ford conceded that he had such ambition, but only while he was an assistant in that of Mrs. Leeds. He said that as a matter of fact he never really expected to get the nomination. He admitted that he had told Stanley Richter, Untermeyer's son-in-law, that he would be glad to get Mr. Untermeyer's support.

He said that the district attorneyship was only mentioned in the course of conversation and then not more than six times.

Mr. De Ford denied the statement that he had asked Untermeyer to appoint him a special Deputy Attorney General, but admitted he had told Stanley Richter he would be glad to assist in the trial of the restraint of trade cases or try them himself.

"I considered myself under no obligation to Mr. Untermeyer," he continued. "I was appointed at a time when the Hearst newspapers, for which I am attorney, were criticizing Mr. Untermeyer for attacking Mayor Hylan by a series of insidious questions when the Mayor was a witness before the committee."

"Insidious" Stricken Out
The word "insidious" was stricken from the record when Mr. Hartman objected.

Mr. De Ford then mentioned that he had tried to get the support of Hearst for Irwin Untermeyer's candidacy for

the Supreme Court bench. Irwin is a son of Samuel Untermeyer. This also was stricken from the record.

Robert Scallan, testifying in his own behalf, went over the details leading up to the publication of the offending article. He concluded his direct testimony with the statement that "The article was an absolute error, made in good faith, without any intention of reflecting on the court."

Under cross-examination by Mr. De Ford, Scallan was asked:

"In the article you wrote you intended to show that I would accept the plea from McCarthy yielding to the pressure of political influence?"

"I intended to charge that McCarthy and the others were attempting to make such an arrangement with you," replied Scallan.

"And that the bait to me was the nomination for District Attorney, McCarthy being a friend of Charles F. Murphy, of Tammany Hall. Didn't you understand that no such scheme could go through without the acquiescence and assistance of the court?" asked De Ford.

"I understood that the Deputy Attorney General could make recommendations," was the answer.

In his summing up before the court Mr. Hartman said that, in his opinion, the inference drawn from the article could not, in any way, be construed as an attack on the court. Mr. De Ford did not address the court.

Demands \$5,000; Kills Himself
SAN FRANCISCO, March 29.—A man identified as J. Elton Moran, of Chicago, entered the private office of H. A. Crothers, publisher of The San Francisco Bulletin, to-day, demanded \$5,000 and then committed suicide by shooting himself through the head when the police arrived to arrest him.

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MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., March 29.—Police who said that they were acting on orders of Mayor Kinney last night warned Father Viola to discontinue the sale of tickets for chances on a \$6,000 house and lot. The police also extended Father Viola an invitation to visit the Mayor.

The priest stopped the sale of tickets when told that it was in violation of the lottery law. More than 1,500 had been sold at \$1 each.

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